

REMARKS

In the June 29, 2006 Office Action, the Examiner noted that claims 1-56 were pending; claims 19-56 had been withdrawn from consideration and claims 1-18 were rejected on the ground of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-50 of U.S. Patent No. 6,714, 632.

It is first noted that the Amendment submitted with the Request for Continued Examination by Certificate of Mailing on May 15, 2006 which was received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 18, 2006 included a request for cancellation of claims 19-56 and therefore, these claims should not have been indicated as pending.

With respect to the double patenting rejection, a Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith averring that U.S. Patent No. 6,714, 632 is commonly owned by the assignee of the subject application. The most recently executed Assignment (a copy of which is attached hereto) was submitted for recordation on November 14, 2006. It is submitted that the attached Terminal Disclaimer overcomes the double patenting rejection.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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